



## Aaberg Cultural Resource Consulting Service

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Dear Paul:

Enclosed are three copies of the final version of the report on the Section 106 process and the plan for recovery of significant information at 24LN1045. One copy should go to the Advisory Council and one copy should go to the Salish-Kootenai Tribal Historic Preservation Office. I have also enclosed draft versions of the cover letters which should be sent with the reports. You can make any changes or additions to the letters if you feel the EPA needs to make changes and additions. You may want to add some information to the Salish-Kootenai THPO letter summarizing the earlier contact your agency had with the tribe (who was contacted by who etc.). The letters should come from the EPA and should be signed by you or the appropriate agency officer. In the letters I asked for expedited review by both the advisory council and the THPO. In the THPO I also mentioned that if acceptable to the tribes some tribal group (likely the THPO) could assemble their history of the Rainy Creek locality. I would assume that I could subcontract with the identified group to write the history and then incorporate it into the final archaeological report.

We need comments from the Advisory Council and THPO before we draft an MOA between the EPA and the Montana SHPO. So the sooner we can get the reports and letters off, the more likely we will get an expedited review. I understand that the dates for hazardous material training have been set for August 22 - 25, 2000 in Libby. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Aaberg  
Owner and Senior Archaeologist - ACRCS

cc: Peter Borowiec  
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